

I. AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning on line 1, page 18 with the following paragraph.

--The following microorganism was deposited on February 23, 2001 as a pure culture at the Deutsche Sammlung Von Mikroorganismen und Zellkulturen (DSMZ=German Collection of Microorganisms and Cell Cultures, Mascheroder Weg 1b, D-38124 Braunschweig, Germany) in accordance with the Budapest Treaty:

- Escherichia coli Top10/pCR2.1menEint as DSM 14080.---